

## House Resolution No. 3009

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding individual who has dutifully served his country through military service in the war in Iraq; and

**Whereas**, Alexander Edwards, a student at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, Missouri, has been fighting in the war in Iraq as a member of the Missouri National Guard, 203rd Engineer Battalion based in Springfield; and

**Whereas**, a resident of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Alexander Edwards is a political science major at Southwest Missouri State University; and

**Whereas**, while in high school, Alexander Edwards was named Student Council Vice President, Student Scholar Athlete of the Year, Optimist Student of the Year finalist, and Carl B. Albert Hall of Fame recipient; and

**Whereas**, Alexander Edwards also won two state football championships and was appointed to West Point; and

**Whereas**, Alexander Edwards has achieved all of this and more with the love and admiration of his proud parents, Adam Edwards and Sheila Edwards; and

**Whereas**, in a time of uncertainty, it is comforting to know that there are dedicated individuals such as Alexander Edwards who will fight for the rights and freedoms of all Americans through their selfless acts of courage and their firm belief in liberty and justice for all:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Alexander Edwards as he continues to make the world a better and safer place for all mankind through his exceptional service with the Missouri National Guard, 203rd Engineer Battalion; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Alexander Edwards, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Michael Spreng  
District No. 76

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3009, adopted May 12, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker